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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert
Speaker of the House of Representatives
United States House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have approved the retirement of Admiral Gregory G. Johnson, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list. I have exercised my authority to waive the 3-year service-in-grade requirement and certify that Admiral Johnson has served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade. Admiral Johnson, who is 58 years of age, currently serves as Commander, United States Naval Forces, Europe and Commander, Regional Command South. I have also notified the President of the United States and the President of the Senate of this action.

Sincerely,

cc:

The Honorable Duncan Hunter
Chairman, House Armed Services Committee
The Honorable Ike Skelton
Ranking Member, House Armed Services Committee

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